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# Chief, Military Police Corps Regiment, and Commandant, United States Army Military Police School

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## *Colonel David Quantock*

As your new Chief of the Military Police Corps Regiment and Commandant of the United States Army Military Police School (USAMPS), I am both extremely humbled and honored to be able to continue to serve our Soldiers and their families in this capacity. I have been a member of this Regiment for more than 26 years and look forward to executing the crucial responsibilities that come with this charter. I am completely committed to ensuring the continued health and warfighting capability of our Regiment that all of us have invested in so much over the years. We are truly a team of teams consisting of our Soldiers, their families, the civilians who provide continuity to our formations, and the retirees who continue to serve our Military Police Corps Regiment.

We remain the “Force of Choice” and a relevant warfighting Regiment because our Soldiers continue to perform magnificently on the battlefield. Our three critical skills of law enforcement, criminal investigation, and internment/resettlement operations are essential tasks required by our Army during all phases of combat operations, but particularly stability operations. As the Army rewrites its doctrine to support full-spectrum operations, stability operations are now performed simultaneously with offensive and defensive operations, elevating the role the military police play on today’s and tomorrow’s battlefields. Law enforcement, criminal investigation, and internment/resettlement—threading through our five military police functions—form the basis that supports the three pillars I will describe below. They are our primary focus at USAMPS.

The first pillar and top priority is to support the Global War on Terrorism. We will do this by exporting our training in support of the Army Force Generation Model. Those units going into the “box” will get our priority. As your Commandant, I believe we must continue to have a warfighting focus. I see USAMPS supporting the units in the field by exporting relevant training to our Warrior Police as they prepare to go into theater. It is imperative that we develop non-kinetic

solutions for future wars by improving our ability to operate across the entire spectrum of conflict, from interpersonal skills to nonlethal alternatives. We will continue to concentrate on improving communication with the field by improving venues such as Army Knowledge Online, integrating lessons learned into programs of instruction, and embedding officers and noncommissioned officers (NCOs) in the field to report knowledge and experiences for use in training.

The second pillar is leader training and development. Our mission is to develop pentathletes. Pentathletes are competent, full-spectrum warriors who are adaptive and creative Soldiers solving complex problems on the move. We develop these leaders through challenging and dynamic leader training and development over the career of an officer or NCO. Our leaders must be confident, innovative, and agile. We are in the process of revising our doctrine, training, priorities, and structure to better support the needs of our warrior leaders. Additionally, we will enhance the learning and availability of mobile training teams, lifelong lessons-learning, and the use of simulations to replicate the contemporary operating environment, all of which result in improving leaders’ exposure to realistic scenarios.

Finally, our third pillar is to transform our Military Police Corps Regiment. We will continue to develop capability, doctrine, and structure that complement the Army’s transformation. We will continually be in synchronization with the Army and Army resources. As we transform, we must review and ensure that our five battlefield functions are synchronized and supportive of the Army’s new warfighting functions. Our police intelligence operations function will receive special emphasis. It is essential that we develop a module/system that rides on an Army platform, providing our Warrior Police the ability to transmit police intelligence up the chain of command simultaneously, populating databases that will provide commanders a complete picture of the battlefield with fused police intelligence.

The theme for our 65th anniversary celebration is “Always ready, battle-focused, 24-7-365,” but we have also coined the phrase “Warrior Police” to capture what we are all about. We are Soldiers first and foremost. The word “Warrior” captures the essence of soldiering. We also provide the Army with decisive skills—law enforcement, criminal investigation, and internment/resettlement—all of which revolve around the word “Police.” Daily, I am reminded of the tremendous selfless service our Warrior Police provide to our Regiment and our Army. I would like to thank every one of you for your contributions to our Regiment, our Army, and this great nation. I look forward to serving with you as we take this Regiment to new levels. Happy 65th birthday!

**Warrior Police!**